City of Lafayette
Staff Report
Design Review Commission

Meeting Date: April 28, 2025

Staff: Nichole Zittel, Associate Planner

Subject: **HDP16-24, GR02-25 Blaj (Owner), R-20 Zoning**: Request for a Hillside Development Permit and Grading Permit to construct new retaining walls ranging from less than 1' to a maximum of 8' tall, removing existing unpermitted retaining walls, moving 105.9 CY or earth (55.2 cut/50.7 fill) for the new retaining walls, and retroactive grading for unpermitted retaining walls and driveway within the Hillside Overlay District at 3385 Woodview Dr, APN 236-190-024.

CEQA Determination*: Categorically exempt pursuant to Section 15301(l)(4) Existing facilities to demolish accessory structures and Section 15303(e) for the construction of new accessory structures.*

PSA Deadline: May 21, 2025 (without PSA extension)

SUMMARY

On March 24, 2025, the Design Review Commission voted to continue the project to the April 28th meeting to allow the applicant team to address Commissioner and public concerns. However, the applicant team was not able to produce revised plans by the required deadline; therefore, the project will be postponed to a future meeting. Revised plans are forthcoming, but a date certain for the future meeting can't be determined at this time. If the project is continued to a date uncertain, re-noticing of the item is required.

Recommendation: Continue the item, without discussion, to a meeting date uncertain.